

212 NEGROES PERISH IN FIRE

Sweden Believed in Imminent Danger of Invasion by Nazis

Germany Embarks Troops in Baltic, So French Assert

But Berlin Contends Nazis, Swedes Negotiating

ITALIAN OPINION

Newspaper Insists Italy Belongs With the Nazis

By the Associated Press
Growing fears of a German invasion of Sweden were expressed Wednesday in Paris, where German troops with munitions were reported officially to be embarking at German Baltic ports opposite Sweden.

French war ministry spokesman issued a statement, calling the embarking an "evident menace" to Sweden.

DNB, the official German news agency, meanwhile, listed 57 British naval units as having been put out of action—29 by sinking or fire—since the beginning of the Scandinavian campaign.

This was in answer to official figures by London acknowledging British losses as only 18 warships, including submarines, for the whole war so far.

The British air ministry announced "highly successful" air raids on five German air bases in Germany and Scandinavia, and said two German port vessels were sunk near the German seaplane base on the island of Sylt.

The government announced the British empire now has "two million men under arms exclusive of the royal navy, marines, mercantile marine, and royal air force."

Italy "With Germany"

ROME —(AP)—The Bologna newspaper Resto del Carlino Wednesday forecast a German victory in the European war, and declared Italy's future as well as the German's is at stake in the outcome.

Discussing the question, "should we

Nazis, Swedes Negotiate

BERLIN —(AP)—Germany and Sweden are negotiating in Stockholm for settlement of economic problems which have arisen for the Baltic sea countries as the result of the Nazi occupation of Norway and Denmark. It was reported here Wednesday.

An authoritative news commentary pointed out the "possibility and necessity" of increased trade between the Germans and Sweden now that Scandinavia has been cut off from Britain and France.

fight for Germany?" the newspaper said if Italy entered war, "We will not fight for Germany" but rather "beside Germany."

British Bomb Sylt

LONDON —(AP)—Westerland air-drome on the German island of Sylt was subjected to an "almost continuous bombardment for one hour and 40 minutes" during Tuesday night's raid, an authoritative British source said Wednesday.

The war office announced that British troops in the Trondheim area had beaten off a strong German counter-attack "after some sharp fighting" Tuesday, and had re-established their lines.

Meanwhile the government announced Britain had invited Russia to put forward concrete proposals for a trade agreement, having regard to Britain's paramount object of preventing war supplies from reaching Germany.

A Thought

Nor thieves, nor covetous, nor drunkards, nor revilers, nor extortioners shall inherit the kingdom of God.—1 Corinthians 6:10.

CRANIUM CRACKERS

Foreign Cities
This is a test on relative sizes of foreign cities. Just designate each of the following statements as true or false:

1. Montevideo, Uruguay, is larger than Lima, Peru.
2. Edinburgh, Scotland, is larger than Yokohama, Japan.
3. Paris is larger than Moscow.
4. Buenos Aires, Argentina, is larger than Cairo, Egypt.
5. Singapore is larger than Montreal.

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Mussolini to Use Albania as Springboard for Balkan Jump



Map shows how Mussolini is priming Albania as a springboard into the Balkans.

Fortifications in New Land Menace Greece, Yugoslavia

Albania Rich in Needed Oil, Iron, Agriculture

FARM IT HASTILY

Italy Pours Thousands of "Laborers" in Country

Nelo Drizari, native Albanian authority on the Balkans, author, teacher and editor of the newspaper, Diella, published in New York, tells here the story of what Italy has done to make Albania a springboard into the Balkans.

By NELO DRIZARI
NEA Service Special Correspondent

With the pouring of many thousands new "laborers" into Albania, the allies look with increasing apprehension on Italy, believed to be under extreme pressure from Germany to enter the war.

Italy has held the tiny Albanian kingdom just one year but in that time has built a series of impenetrable fortifications and warplane bases that make the Balkans shudder. Italy has also made Albania her No. 1 colony economically.

When Mussolini's star performer, Marshal Pietro Badoglio, made a thorough survey of Albania last summer he left behind him a well-charted program for making Albania a veritable springboard into the Balkans. It has become just that.

On the Yugoslav border, in northern Albania, Italy now holds a dominant military advantage along the Mati river. Her guns have the range of vulnerable Yugoslavia. Farther south, along the Mount Lila, razhd section, Italy has constructed a line of fortifications aimed at both Yugoslavia and Greece.

In addition, Italy has a series of vital bases stretching from Korea to Argyrokastra, literally covering the Greek border. These bases are built underground at the foot of mountains which shelter them from air attack. One thousand planes can take off from these points at a moment's notice. The reserve strength, as reported by Albanians recently reaching the United States, is two and a half times that number.

Why Balkans Worry

And along with the strategic military position Italy won in Albania, she also inherited a potential Albanian army of not fewer than 150,000 men. The Albanians are traditional good fighters.

The strength of the Italian army in Albania is believed to be not less than 200,000, counting the "laborers" Italy continues to ship into the country. Thus the Italian strength in the Balkans may be placed between 350,000 and 400,000 men.

With an experienced air-arm, a highly motivated and well-equipped army, with her impenetrable new system of fortifications, not to mention the natural mountain barriers along northern and southern Albania, Italy is at once both practically invulnerable and wholly dangerous in the Balkans.

By bottling up the mouth of the Straits of Otranto, Italy can make the Adriatic sea truly a "Mare Nostrum," transporting her legions into the shores of Albania with perfect safety.

It is little wonder Britain and France have informed Italy they will not tolerate the slightest change in the Mediterranean status quo and that France has felt out Italy looking toward an amicable settlement of the age-old "Mediterranean problem."

Economically, as well as strategically, Italy has made Albania a prize play. She has spent \$108,000,000 developing the country, for which in return she is getting iron—1,500,000 tons annually, equal to Italy's badly needed iron imports—coal, tar, chrome, gold, silver, copper and asbestos.

In addition the highly coveted oil supply now has an accelerated annual production of 500,000 tons, exclusive of some 5,000,000 tons that have been stored in sealed wells since 1927, when Italy ousted several companies, including Standard Oil and

Washington Square, where Fifth Avenue begins in New York, was once the Potter's Field.

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Here's Where They Soda-Pop the Question

CRANE, Mo.—(AP)—More than a pay check goes with a job behind P. R. "Pop" Beloit's soda fountain. He's lost three female fountain attendants in three months—to the tune of wedding bells. Beloit points out that one a month isn't a bad Leap Year average.

Softball Season Is Underway Here

Bruner-Ivory Wins Opening Game From City Bakery, 13-4

In the opening game of the softball season here Tuesday night, Bruner-Ivory defeated City Bakery team by the top-sided score of 13 to 4.

The bakery team consists of several foot-ball stars of the 1939 Bobcats and has Toad Coleman as their ace pitcher.

The Hempstead girls' game with Ashdown was not played due to illness on the Ashdown team. A nice practice game with the boy's American Legion team, who batted and threw left handed, was played for 5 innings. The girls winning 13 to 6. Raymond Urban, recreational supervisor, is trying to schedule a game for the girls for Friday night.

Admission at all league games will be five and ten cents, and all players who join the Arkansas Soft-ball association will be admitted free when they present their cards at all league games. When any of the teams in the A league play out-of-town games with independent teams, and when the Hempstead girls play, the admission will be ten and fifteen cents. Wednesday night there will be a double-header between the American Legion and Snow White grocery teams and American Legion and Gunter Bros.

All games will start at 7:30 o'clock and the time limit on a game is one hour and five minutes.

Following is the schedule for the rest of this week:

American Legion vs. Gunter Bros. Wednesday night.

American Legion vs. Snow White grocery. Wednesday night.

Thursday night—CCC vs City Bakery and Gunter Bros. vs Snow White Grocery.

Friday night—Bruner Ivory vs. County Ave. Cleaners from Texarkana, and Hempstead girls vs. Prescott, tentative.

Chinese Still Run Own Postal Lines

Japs Can't Take Them—Have to Use Chinese Stamps

AP Feature Service
SHANGHAI —One of the many cook eyes — but typically Orient—arrangements resulting from Japan's undeclared war on China is exemplified in the administration and management of this country's great network of postal communications.

The entire postal system, including all offices in the wide slices of territory occupied by Japanese military forces, is still controlled and operated by the Chungking government.

When a Japanese soldier buys a stamp for a letter to a buddy elsewhere in China, his five cents go into the treasury of the Chinese government. China reciprocates by transporting the letter, and a Chinese postman delivers it to its destination.

Since the postal service has not shown any profit since 1933, it costs Chungking a large sum annually to keep the mails running for the invaders. On the other hand, the Chinese get the income from mails carried by Japanese airplanes and ships.

The Japanese have grabbed almost all paying businesses in occupied China, but beyond installing their own censors have kept strictly away from the postal organization.

This is mainly due to the fact that under international postal agreements only Chinese stamps can be used on mail originating in China.

Seabiscuit Trainer Is Ex-Cowboy

GRAND JUNCTION, Colo.—(AP)—Tom Smith, who trains Seabiscuit and other Charles S. Howard horses, used to be a cowboy around Grand Junction, in Western Colorado. Red Pollard, Seabiscuit's jockey, hails from Butte, Mont.

New Gas Contract For City of Hope Will Save \$4,000

Arkansas Louisiana Cuts Rate for Municipal Plant

10c PER THOUSAND
McFaddin Completes Deal for Six-Month Contract

City Attorney E. F. McFaddin announced Wednesday that the Arkansas Louisiana Gas company had reduced its rate for the municipal water and light plant from 15 cents per thousand cubic feet of gas to 10 cents per thousand cubic feet.

This rate became effective February 26 and will continue until September 22, date of expiration of a contract between the city and the Arkansas Louisiana Gas company.

Mr. McFaddin said this contract would save the city approximately \$4,000.

Beginning September 22, the city has a contract with Louisiana Nevada Transit company to furnish gas to the plant at 10 cents per thousand cubic feet. The contract is for 10 years at this rate.

Mr. McFaddin, in announcing the new six-month contract with Arkansas Louisiana Gas company, issued the following statement:

McFaddin's Statement
The Hope Water & Light Plant has received tangible benefits already from the entry of the Louisiana Nevada Transit Company into Arkansas and the efforts of the City of Hope to secure cheaper gas.

Under date of September 22, 1937, when there was no competition in the

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Pope in Peace Word to Little Rock Area

LITTLE ROCK —(AP)— Archbishop Amleto Giovanni Cicignani apostolic delegate to the United States, Wednesday conferred the blessing of Pope Pius upon the Catholic school children of the Little Rock area, and asked that they join their prayers with those of the Holy Father and other children of the faith throughout the world for the restoration of peace.

Patmos Home Is Destroyed by Fire

House and Contents of Clifton Formby Goes Up in Smoke

The home of Clifton Formby in the Patmos community South of Hope was destroyed by fire Monday afternoon, causing a loss estimated at \$1,000.

The house and most of the contents were destroyed.

Reports said the blaze was believed caused by sparks from the chimney falling on the roof.

The house was owned by Joe Rider.

Camden Offers Site for Arkansas Park

LITTLE ROCK —(AP)—A delegation of Camden business men Tuesday offered to give the state approximately 200 acres on United States highway 79 near the city for use as a state park. The proposal was made at a conference with state parks and game and fish commissions, officials.

Parks Director Sam G. Davies said the project would include an artificial lake and surrounding recreational area. He said he and Secretary D. N. Graves of the game and fish commission would inspect the site soon.

Are Stampeded by Night Club Fire in Natchez, Miss.

Nearly All of 300 Dancers Trapped, Killed

HAD SINGLE DOOR

Some Rush for Others for Orchestra Stand

NATCHEZ, Miss.—(AP)—The last Wednesday morning to the staggering toll of 212 in a Spanish-moss-fest fire which swept through the Rhythm Night club here Tuesday night, stampeding 300 negro dancers into the holocaust.

All the dead were negroes. Of the survivors eight remained in a hospital in a critical condition. Two score others who applied for treatment in two crowded hospitals later were sent home.

The survivors told tales of the horror of the fire which started in a maze of overhanging dry moss in the hall, formerly built for a black-smith shop.

The blaze started near the front of the building.

Trapped by the fire, some dancers stampeded through the flames to the front of the building where a small door, the only exit, was located around the orchestra stand, where others herded to the rear around the orchestra stand, where they were buried or suffocated to death.

Coroner R. E. Smith said the bodies were "piled up like cordwood."

W. Kitchens Files for Re-election

Congressman Again Candidate in Seventh District

LITTLE ROCK —(AP)— Congressman Wade Kitchens, Magnolia, announced his candidacy Wednesday for re-election in the Seventh district, filing his corrupt practices pledge with the secretary of state.

Bad Weather for Poor Bre'r Rabbit

58,893 Killed in Roundup in South Dakota

AP Feature Service
PIERRE, S. D. — Churches, volunteer firemen, American Legion posts and other organizations report they waged successful war during the winter on jackrabbits which had been destroying young trees in the vast shelter belt plantings of South Dakota.

Two hundred and fifty community rabbit hunts were staged. The total tak was 58,893 jackrabbits, 87 foxes and 21 coyotes. The Forest Service reported 1,818,000 acres were systematically combed by 16,000 hunters, who cut the rabbit population to less than 23 per square mile. It was 58 per square mile in 1935.

The Forest Service furnished the shotgun ammunition. The \$8,000 in proceeds from sale of the rabbits went to charity. The rabbits brought as high as 21 cents each.

1940 Derby Has Large Nominee List

LOUISVILLE, Ky.—(AP)—Nominations for this year's Kentucky Derby—totaling 127—were the largest since 130 horses were named for the 1931 running.

Nineteen Derbies have had larger subscriber lists than that of 1940, however. The record was the 196 nominated in 1928.

With added money for the Derby increased this year from \$50,000 to \$75,000, there is a strong possibility the Derby's number of subscribers will increase rapidly within the next few years.

COTTON

NEW YORK —(AP)— Cotton for July opened at 10.55 and closed at 10.47. Middling spot 10.84.



Analyzing foreign propaganda on the spot, Professor Whitton, shown center.

By TOM WOLF
NEA Service Staff Correspondent

PRINCETON, N. J. — Early last fall, with a Rockefeller Foundation grant and a ramshackle private house donated for a headquarters, a "Listening Center" was established by Princeton University's School of Public and International Affairs to study the incessant battle of radio propaganda aimed at capturing America.

Already the Center has found unmistakable trends in the more than 200 programs the belligerents "beam" to North America each week. It has recorded, transcribed, and translated (when necessary) over 2,000,000 words of sample news and topical programs.

"The Germans seem to be doing probably the most thorough job. It's aimed at promoting Anglo-American friendship and keeping America out of the war," said a thin, quiet, red-headed Prof. John H. Whitton, chairman of the Listening Centers' board.

Typical commentary programs from Berlin include sketches of famous Americans who lived during strife of the War of 1812 or the Revolution—when England and America were at war. Other programs warn Americans about the numerous military air fields Britain is building in Canada, to be used one day to attack the U. S.

Berlin also presents an "American language" (they never say "English") counterpart of their successful British program by "Lord Haw-Haw of Zessen." It's read to America in letter form, starting "Dear Harry," and its author is an Iowa on the German radio staff. He calls himself Lord Haw-Haw.

The French, through Paris Mondial, their short wave outlet, seem con-

SOCIETY

Mrs. Sid Henry

Telephone 321

Music

Let me go where'er I will
I hear sky-born music still;
It sounds from all things old,
It sounds from all things young,
From all that's fair, from all that's
foul,
Peals out a cheerful song.
It is not only in the rose,
It is not only in the bird,
Not only where the rainbow glows,
Nor in the song of woman heard,
But in the darkest, meanest things
There always something sings.
'Tis not in the high stars alone,
Nor in the cup of budding flowers,
Nor in the red-breast's mellow tone,
Nor in the bow that smiles in showers,
But in the mud and scum of things
There always something sings.
—Selected.

The songs of a people keep alive
their spiritual aspirations. They
cheer, comfort, refine and elevate.
Music which interprets the deepest
feelings of the human heart is un-

derstood and appreciated by people of
all nationalities, classes and grades of
culture. Chas. Kingsley says, "There
is nothing very wonderful in music.
Words are wonderful enough, but
music is more wonderful; it speaks
straight to our hearts and spirits, to
the very core and root of our souls.
Music soothes us, stirs us up, it puts
noble feelings into us; it melts us to
tears, we know not how. It is a
language by itself, just as perfect in its
way as speech, as words; just as divine,
just as blessed."

The first week in May will be ob-
served throughout the nation as the
17th National Music Week, and all
local musical organizations will co-
operate in making this celebration a
notable one in the advancement of the
art of music, "The Universal Lan-
guage of Mankind."

On Friday evening, April 26, at 8
o'clock at St. Mark's Episcopal church,
Dr. Charles R. Hodge, organist and
choirmaster of St. John's Episcopal
church, in Helena will present an
organ recital. Dr. Hodge was a pupil
of Harrison Wilde, and of Edward F.
Johnston. He was formerly Premier
Organist for the Public Theaters, and
from 1932 to 1935 was band supervisor
for the Memphis High Schools, Mem-
phis, Tenn. During the World war he
served as Captain of Infantry, with the
American Expeditionary Force, and
his program for Friday evening, ac-
cording to some of Hope's best musical
critics, will be a program of high class
music. The public is cordially invited
to attend.

Mrs. R. M. LaGrone and Miss Mag-
gie Bell were Wednesday visitors in
Texarkana.

Alton Honeycutt underwent a minor
operation at the Julia Chester hospital
on Wednesday.

The local Council of the Girl Scouts
is sponsoring a tour of twelve interest-
ing places open on Wednesday, May 1
from 2 until 6 o'clock. You will have
the pleasure of viewing the interior
of some of the most beautiful and
interesting homes and yards in our
city, and at the same time help a most
worthy organization. Why go to
Natchez or Fredericksburg, Va., be-
fore we see our own lovely homes and
gardens with their collection of lovely
museum pieces and valuable treas-
ures, both modern and antique? Ticket
for this splendid Pilgrimage are only
fifteen cents. Your cooperation in this
tour will be greatly appreciated, and
you will surely get an afternoon of
most interesting entertainment.

Mrs. William Eells of Albuquerque,
N. M., and Mrs. Elbert Brack of Little
Rock have spent the past two days in
the city at Hotel Barlow. They will
be remembered by old friends as

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"RULERS OF
THE SEA"
— and —
"Women
Without Names"

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yours—

Odette.
SHOES

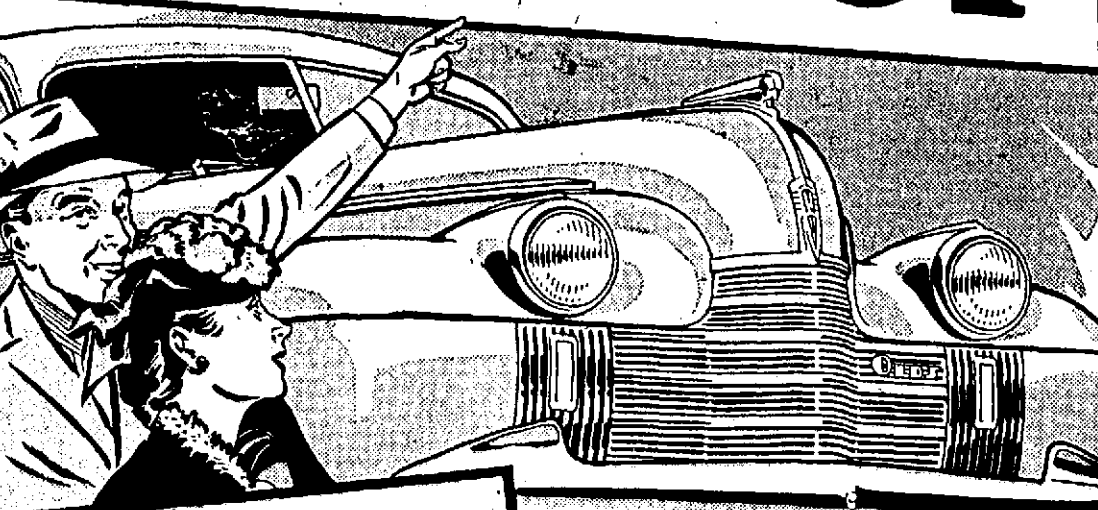
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sure fit, and the added charm of cush-
ioned comfort. No wonder women of
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A FEW DOLLARS MORE
THAN THE PRICE OF A
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CAR—AND LOOK HOW
MUCH MORE CAR YOU
GET FOR YOUR
MONEY!"

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big, it's modern—and it's powerful to
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rates, state and local taxes (if any), optional
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Help promote safety—dim your lights when passing!

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GIB LEWIS GARAGE

104 East Division

Grand River Dam Closed; Lake Begins Forming



With the last gate closed, water began backing up in the Grand River dam, Disney, Okla. to form a lake that will inundate three roads and two bridges. Workmen closed the last section of the dam without interference from Oklahoma National Guardsmen who were forbidden to stop the work by federal injunction.

Misses Mary and Myra Simms, form-
erly of this city.

The Spiritual Life Group of First
Methodist church will meet Thurs-
day afternoon at 3:30 at the home of
Mrs. Kenneth L. Spore, South Pine
street.

The Friday Music club will meet
Friday afternoon at the home of Mrs.
J. C. Carleton, East Third street, with
Mrs. Pinditt as joint hostess and
Mrs. Basil York leading the study.
The Choral club directed by Mrs. M.
C. Butler will assemble for practice
at 2:30, followed by the study at
3:30.

Mrs. L. A. Mayton and small
daughter are leaving in the morning
for Hutchinson, Kansas, to make their
home with her husband, Mr. L. A.
Mayton. Mr. Mayton is employed by
the May Bee Drilling Co., at Hutchin-
son. Mr. Mayton was formerly em-
ployed by the Hope Brick Works,
and the Arkansas Louisiana Gas Co.,
here before going to Kansas. Mrs.
Mayton, Mr. Mayton is employed by
Walton of Patmos, Ark.

WE THE WOMEN

By RUTH MILLETT
Miss Goldie Cantor of Cleveland ran
out on her bridegroom-to-be, Frank
Halbreds, a few minutes before their
wedding was to take place.
This situation doesn't happen often.
But it happens often enough to make
women wonder how many brides
would like to back out of their mar-
riages at the last minute, but just
haven't the nerve.

It must occur to the girl who is
marrying, for money, a man whom
she not only doesn't love—but who
actually irritates her.
It must enter the mind of the girl
who is marrying one man to
spite another.

It must enter the mind of the girl

Soenger Theater — Thursday and Friday



"Vigil In the Night"

70-Year-Old Woman Officially Is U. S. Representative in War Zone

By SIGRID ARNE
AP Feature Service Writer
WASHINGTON—"Madame Minister"
Daisy Borden Harriman, minister to
Norway, is rattling around somewhere
in Scandinavia. She's 70, and trying
to keep up a line of communication
between this country and the fugitive
Norwegian government.

It's the first time the United States
has been represented officially in a
war zone by a woman.

She's Never Felt Better
She missed death at one spot by
half an hour. She fled down roads
under bombardment by German
planes. She got over the Swedish
border just long enough to phone
news to our minister in Sweden. Then
she popped back into the danger zone,
after assuring Stockholm in her Park
Avenue voice, "Never felt better in
my life."

That rings two loud bells for all the
women in this country who want to
hold public jobs. First, the state de-
partment never has liked women in
diplomatic posts. Second, there is still
apprehension among men politicians
over the way women will react under
fire.

Mrs. Harriman's appointment to
Norway was really a sop thrown to
the thousands of Democratic women
who worked through the '32 and '36
campaigns.

Oslo Was a Quiet Spot
When her friend, Ruth Bryan
Owen Rohde, then our only woman
diplomat, resigned her post in Den-
mark, Democrats cast around for an-
other woman to appoint. The Oslo post
fell vacant. It was a quiet, safe spot.
The Scandinavians have no prejudice
against women executives. So Mrs.
Harriman was appointed.

"Would you consider the post?"
she was asked.
"Certainly," she said. "Who wouldn't?"

The Norwegians—fact is, the whole
diplomatic corps in Oslo—were soon
revolving around Daisy, just the way
Washingtonians have for years. She
went to palace dinners; acted as host-
ess for bachelor diplomats from other

who has worked and worked to get
her man, and suddenly realizes when
he is almost hers for keeps that he
isn't as big a catch as she imagined.

It must occur to the girl who is
marrying a man twice her age be-
cause security looks good.

countries; learned the language rapid-
ly. And at 67 decided to take up ski-
ing. Her progress was watched af-
fectionately.

She made one amusing diplomatic
faux pas just ten minutes after she
was sworn in here. Just the sort of
thing that suave men diplomats trem-
ble over.

Started With Faux Pas
She was asked: "Will you negotiate
a trade agreement between Norway
and the United States?"
"That's been done," she said.

It was the first any one knew of.
She must have been chagrined.
But she didn't do any back-tracking.
Just took the gaff, and sailed for
Norway.

Her first test under fire is the kind
in which you need friends. She came
through with flying colors. That was
the "City of Flint" incident. Re-
member the boat the Germans cap-
tured, took to Marmansk, Russia, and
then tried to run down the Nor-
wegian coast? From Russia we got no
clear reports of the Flint's crew.
Then the Germans put in at a Nor-
wegian port. It became Mrs. Harri-
man's task to remind the Norwegians
that the Germans had forfeited the
boat by docking in a neutral port—a
delicate spot for any diplomat. The
Norwegians decided to return the
boat to its American crew. Mrs. Harri-
man got an immediate report from
the Flint's captain, and was the first
to report to the state department what
actually had happened.

Came the Invitation
Then came the morning of April
9. About three o'clock Mrs. Harri-
man's phone rang. The British min-
ister was calling to ask if she'd take
over his duties. The Germans were
invading. He was leaving.

She rushed into her clothes and to
her office. She called the Norwegian
foreign office, confirmed the story,
then cabled Washington. The arrival
of her wire here was the first the
rest of the world knew the war had
broken out in earnest. There's no
way of knowing yet why other of-
fices didn't have messages as quick-
ly. Maybe it was because Mrs. Harri-
man sent a straight wire stating the
facts in regular English—no code.

By five she had her whole staff and
families around her, eating break-
fast, and ready to set out across coun-
try to safety. It was some days later
when she was heard from again—on
the Swedish border phoning to re-
port.

Peace Salesman Phones War Lords

Fails, However, to Get
Top Men of War to
Answer Phone

NEW YORK—(P)—Surrounded by
15 reporters, 16 photographers and a
corps of press agents, Abraham Pick-
us, the Cleveland oil man who calls
himself a "peace salesman," spent the
entire morning Tuesday at the trans-
Atlantic telephone in an effort to sell
a little peace to heads of world
powers.

The results were what perhaps might
have been expected. Pickus couldn't
get any of the top men to come to the
phone. His toll-bill was \$38.80.

His conversation with a Signor
Farace, a secretary to Count Ciano, the
Italian foreign minister, was pretty
typical.

"I would like," Pickus announced
clearly over the wire, "to have Mus-
solini call all European nations to a
conference table and stop the war."

Farace (startled but wholly re-
served)—"I didn't hear you."
Pickus (trying again)—"I would
like to have Mussolini call all your
European nations to a conference table
to stop the war."

Farace—"Yes?" (It sounded like the
Italian for "Oh, yeah?")
Pickus—"The only thing would be
for Europe, if they would agree, to
have a United States of Europe the
same as we have a United States of
America."

Farace—"I see."
Pickus (sounding a little angry,
now)—"This is the message. I also
think Mussolini would be better off
if he didn't talk war all the time—but
talk peace."

Farace (coldly)—"Is there anything
else you want to say?"
Pickus—"The United States are
against war. Do you know exactly
what I say?"

Farace—"O. K. I know."
Pickus—"Will you give me the mes-
sage? Will you repeat to me the
message?"

Farace—"I have everything down.
It's all right."
Pickus call to Joachim von Ribben-
trop, the German foreign secretary,
merely brought the query: "Von
Ribbentrop's secretary wants to know

startled her Republican family by
saying that from here on she was vot-
ing Democratic. Her husband, now
dead, used to laugh and say, "It's fine.
It makes our dinner conversations so
interesting."

Washington Liked Her Dinners
They must have been interesting.
Since the 20's Mrs. Harriman has run
the only true salon in Washington. She
gathered for her Sunday night din-
ners 32 guests—the cream of the day's
leaders.

Historic debates were held. She had
two rules. No one could get angry.
No one could repeat what they heard.
She'll hate all the hullabaloo about
her now. But no story about Daisy
Harriman is quite complete without
mentioning something about her ap-
pearance. She hates that, too. She
argued with me once that she cer-
tainly was not handsome. But she is.
Her height and her erect car-
riage does it. So up comes the story
about Charles (Hell 'n Maria) Dawes.
He saw her back across a Parisian
hotel lobby one night, and said, "Well,
there's Mary Garden."

"No, it isn't. That's Daisy Harri-
man," said a friend.
"Nonsense," said Dawes. "There's
only one back like that."

But it was Daisy whose busy these
days proving that her backbone's
straight both literally and figuratively.

Roosevelt to Make Cross-Country Tour

WASHINGTON—(P)—President
Roosevelt's forthcoming cross-coun-
try tour is intriguing politicians here
inasmuch as it will offer him an op-
portunity, if he so desires, to culti-
vate third term sentiment or to pro-
mote the candidacy of some other man
of his choice.

The trip, as now scheduled, will end
scarcely more than a fortnight before
the Democratic national convention
meets. It will carry him through many
states, place him before the eyes of
many voters and include several
speeches.

Mr. Roosevelt has laughingly la-
beled the trip non-political, but the
disposition here is to consider it impos-
sible to divorce entirely from politics
anything done or said by a president
who still may seek re-election. His
mere appearance on a back platform
can be a political influence upon the
villagers who come to see him.

And since he is going to speak on
conservation and dedicate national
parks, his addresses could hardly
avoid being a reminder of the New
Deal's conservation policy.

Of, depending upon future events
and the trend of his mind on the third
term question, Mr. Roosevelt could
develop the trip into something much
more forceful and, citing developments
for justification, frankly abandon the
non-political label.

what oil company Mr. Pickus is
president of.
Efforts to reach Winston Churchill,
Queen Wilhelmina and the Japanese
foreign office were futile.

The peace-hunter said he had put
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enterprises since 1936.

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First Iron-Clads Call Fight Draw

Civil War Battle of Monitor, Merrimac Is Recalled

By NEA Service

The famous Civil War battle of the Monitor and the Merrimac was practically a draw.

Technically, perhaps, it was a victory for the Union Monitor. But the triumph was more in having kept the Confederate Merrimac from carrying out the expected destruction than in actually subduing the South's iron-plated monster.

As naval scraps go, the Monitor-Merrimac bout wasn't much of a fight. But it was the first time a couple of iron-clads had ever met face to face. And it marked the beginning of the end of wooden men-o-war.

The North was scared stiff when word seeped up that the South was wearing a coat of armor on the old steam frigate Merrimac. Union leaders got busy, ordered construction of an iron-clad. It took perspiring shipbuilders just 100 days to finish the job. The Monitor, was completed half a day after the Merrimac steamed out of Norfolk on March 8, 1862.

Before the Monitor reached Hampton Roads, the Confederate iron-clad had things all its own way. Without much trouble, it sank the Northern Cumberland, drove the frigate Congress aground and riddle her with shells.

The Monitor pulled into Hampton Roads at midnight, opened fire at 3:30 the next morning. It was a weird contraption, scornfully described by seamen as a "cheese box on a raft."

Both craft poured out shells at each other until noon. The battle was noisy intense—but nothing much happened. Shells did nothing more than dent the iron plating, ricocheted harmlessly off into the water.

The Monitor, with its revolving turret, its agility, had a maneuvering advantage over the clumsy Merrimac. When the Merrimac finally limped off at noon, it did so because it had sprung a leak not directly attributable to the battle. Two of her guns had been put out of action by Union strikes.

No one was killed on either side. Injuries were slight. Lieutenant Worden, commanding the Monitor, was nearly blinded when a shell exploded in the pilot house.

Before the end of the year, both iron clads were sunk. But the Hampton Roads battle had started naval experts pondering, marked the dawn of the modern era of sea warfare.

Barons Pound Out Win Over Pebbles

Birmingham Takes First Night Game By Score 12 to 10

LITTLE ROCK—(AP)—The Birmingham Barons outlasted the Little Rock Travelers in the first night game of the season here Tuesday night to win the wild contest 12 to 10.

The Travelers came from behind in a big fifth inning with six runs but sloughed off the lead in the seventh and were never able to overcome the Barons margin.

The Barons and Travelers meet here again Wednesday night.

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It Must Be Love



The maternal instinct in animals certainly produces some weird friendships. Who would ever think that this six-year-old Spitz dog would ever take up with a couple of baby mice? But she did. Found them in a closet in the Atlanta, Ga., home of her owner, Mrs. P. L. Parker. Dog is also foster-mother of a cat, but for obvious reasons, kitty was kept out of the picture.

Young Bob Feller Can Aim His Fireball at Many Modern Records

By DILLON GRAHAM
Sports Editor, AP Feature
Service

NEW YORK — Now that Bob Feller has got his no-hit game and is being hailed anew as the greatest pitcher in baseball what are some of the modern day records he can shoot at to further enhance his claim to fame?

He might win 35 games (as some predict he will). Only Diz Dean and Lefty Grove of today's hurlers have hit the 30 mark. Christy Mathewson of the Giants won 37 in 1908 and John Chesbro of the Yanks won 41 in 1904.

If he got in the groove Feller might win 28 or more games for three seasons. Cy Young, Mathewson, Walter Johnson and Grover Alexander did it.

He might better John Coombs' American league record of 13 shutout games in 1910. Or Harris White's record of five successive shutouts. Then of course Walter Johnson's mark of 56 consecutive shutout innings is still on the books.

Bob has led the American league in strikeouts for two years—240 in 1938 and 246 last year—and already has a running start toward Johnson's record of leading the loop in strikeouts for a dozen seasons. Feller already holds the strikeout figure for one game, 18.

Feller's no-hit performance didn't come as a surprise to baseball men. It's been too close before. Three times Bob had been on the threshold. Each time a scratch hit robbed him of the perfect game.

He served notice that a new star had arrived in his first season, 1936, when he struck out 47 St. Louis Browns to better the American league S. O. record.

Once in 1938 and twice last year he hurled one-hitters.

When Bob first came up he was just a strong country boy with a blazing fast ball that he couldn't control. His wildness helped him to an extent for batters were afraid to stand close to the dish and while they were backing away some of Bob's pitches zipped across the strikes.

Bob is still wild. He walked 208 batters, more than any other American leaguer last year. But his control has improved.

And in his years with Cleveland he has learned change of pace and

phish Chicks bunched hits in the right places to defeat New Orleans 5 to 4 Tuesday in the opener of a three game series.

Frank Veverka slammed out a single in the ninth to send in Cully Rikard and Bud Hefey.

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Frailick, Sherer and Gleason. Keller, Gaddy and Gautreaux.

Sikes Becomes Ill, Cancels Two Bouts

Ordered to Stop Training and Take 30-Day Rest

LITTLE ROCK—Bob Sikes who was trying to dodge his scheduled fight with Johnny McCarthy in Pine Bluff Friday night to avoid possibly injury for his bout with Fat Corniskey in Chicago on May 10, was forced to cancel both matches Tuesday night.

Following a physical examination by Dr. Chester C. Chapin of Little Rock the Southern heavyweight champion was placed under immediate observation. It was announced that the young Pine Bluff boxer would be inactive for "at least the next 30 days."

Dr. Chapin diagnosed Sikes' condition as periarthritis, an inflammation, in this case at the root of the neck. He said infection was found at the seventh cervical vertebra and the first thoracic vertebra. Dr. Chapin explained that the inflammation was responsible for the neuralgia pains that numbed Sikes' right arm since Sunday.

Dr. Chapin prescribed that Bob suspend all training at once. He said he suspected that the condition was caused by diseased tonsils and advised that he undergo a throat examination. Ed (Pappy) Stein, Sikes' manager, said Tuesday night that arrangements already had been made for a tonsilectomy.

Stein confessed that Sikes had been unable to "throw a right hand" since Sunday.

"Every time Bob caught a jab full on the face," said Stein, "Sikes' right arm suddenly would go dead. I figured it just one of those things when Bob complained the first time. However, I made him take off the sparring gloves. But when it happened again Monday, I rushed him to a doctor."

"Puzzled," Says Sikes

"It's got me puzzled," said Sikes. "My right arm had been bothering me for the past several weeks. It gave me a little trouble in my first fight with McCarthy. Funny thing about it, is that I can punch with right as good as ever until I'm jabbed flush on the mouth. I suppose it knocks my head back against that weak spot. Otherwise, it doesn't bother me and I can hit the light bag and sand bag good enough."

Stein said that he suspected that "Bob wasn't right" because Sikes was losing weight too rapidly for the work he was doing. Bob weighed 205 in his clothes a week ago and weighed 193 in his clothes yesterday.

Leslie Wolfe of Little Rock who was promoting the second Sikes-McCarthy fight, said that he would seek a substitute for Sikes. He was trying to negotiate with the manager of Neville (Tiger) Beech of Memphis. Beech has challenged Sikes repeatedly ever since he graduated from the amateur ranks over a year ago.

Timber Wolves Are Roaming Southwest

STAMFORD, Ark.—(AP)—The Wolves are back in Southwest Arkansas—and not the baseball park variety.

A party of hunters headed by County Game Warden Frank Burke used dogs to run down a huge timber wolf on the Mack Lester farm. The animal was killed by L. C. Beasley, Lewisville.

Lester and other farm owners reported at least three packs of wolves have been ranging the bottoms along the Red river, killing young pigs and goats. Another hunt is planned in the near future.

or of Vocational Education, Fred A. Smith, the State Supervisor of Vocational Education, Henry L. Cochran, and four District Supervisors, placed Gerald at the top of a list of ten qualified candidates for the Degree. The application will be graded by the National F. F. A. Board of Trustees and provided it is approved he will receive the award of \$1000 at the National F. F. A. convention which will be held in Kansas City, November 1940.

THE THRILL of the YEAR?

Many No-Hit Pitchers Say That They Have Had Better Ball Games

By DILLON GRAHAM
Sports Editor, AP Feature
Service

NEW YORK — Many no-hit game pitchers believe they have pitched better games even in defeat.

None of the "perfect game" hurlers I've talked to thought they were in great form that particular afternoon. Good, surely, but not unhit-table.

Bob Feller rather supported this idea when he commented on his no-hitter against Chicago on opening day.

"I couldn't seem to throw a curve very well," he explained. "The ball seemed slippery and the wind kept it from doing its stuff. I think I've been a lot faster, too."

Skipper Jimmy Dykes of the White Sox agreed: "I've seen him better."

Bob's remarks reminded me of the time when I caught four no-hit game pitchers together in Washington—Vernon Kennedy, Bill Dietrich and Ted Lyons of the White Sox and Wes Farrell of the Senators. (Kennedy is now with the Browns and Ferrell with the Dodgers.)

Not Their Best

They all agreed that they had had more stuff and pitched better games than on the days when they threw themselves into the Hall of Fame.

Kennedy, Dietrich and Ferrell thought almost to the end that an early inning scratch hit had spoiled things. Lyons knew what was happening though. "Nervousness gets you in the late innings and you begin to give more thought to every pitch. Your heart jumps into your mouth every time a ball is hit," he said.

The last Boston batter against Lyons in that 1926 game banged one far off first base but Earl Sheeley made a brilliant back-handed catch.

"Luck and fine fielding count the most," observed Dietrich. "Batters can hit the ball hard and yet drive it

right into a fielder's hands."

"When I heard the crowd yelling I knew I was near a perfect game," said Kennedy. A running catch by Al Simmons saved Kennedy while Hank Bonura made a couple of nice stops for Dietrich.

Feller Unruffled

While these hurlers told me that the late inning pressure was almost unbearable, Feller intimated it didn't bother him.

"Sure I knew I had a no-hitter—that is, if they'd scored a second inning single as an error. And I was pretty sure they had. I had to smile when I saw the other fellows hush-hushing each other on the bench for fear they'd rattle me."

Like the others, though, Feller gave credit to some fancy holding. Ken Kellner, Joe Mack and Ben Chapman provided it.

THE THRILL of the YEAR?

Laneburg Sends 13 to Magnolia

Attend District Judg- ing at A. & M. College

Fifteen members of Laneburg Central F. F. A. chapter attended the District Judging contests held at Magnolia A & M college April 19-20. The chapter competed with 34 schools from south Arkansas, rating fifth place toward sweepstakes.

The two day program offered all F. F. A. boys an excellent opportunity to gain first hand information on a number of vital farm problems which are now confronting the farm youth. They received training and experience in Judging Dairy cattle, General Livestock, poultry, milk, meat, public Speaking, Forest Mensuration, Farm

Shop, and Farm Crops.

F. F. A. boys making the trip and taking part in the contests were as follows: Calvin Easterling, Denzell Calhoun, Bobbie Pearson, Bobbie Sampson, Ralph Blanding, Carol Gann, Gerald Reyenga, Clyde Messer, Duncan Bright, Garland Manning, Weldon Smith, Adron Sampson, Alvin Sanders, Wallace Easterling and Wallace Purdie.

This group of contestants will enter the State High School meet which is to be held at the University of Arkansas, May 3-4.

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Corn Champion Is Hoping to Repeat

Wants to Be First to Win Title Fifth Time

By NATHAN OATIS
AP Feature Service
LAFONTAINE, Ind.,—Chester E. Troyer, world's corn king, is going to try to do what no farmer ever has done—win the crown a fifth time.

A short, sharp-faced man in blue overalls, in his yellow farm-house on the Mississippi river near here talked about plans for plying.

"I'm interested in winning one or two more championships," he said, "and I'll probably follow along the same lines as before."

That meant the triple-threat combination that won him his latest title at the international hay-and-grain show in Chicago in December—good land, old-fashioned farming methods and a twentieth-century product.

The land is rich, chocolate-brown river bottom, where Troyer and his father before him have grown corn since 1894 and where the Miami Indians grew it for centuries before then.

The methods are those that in 30 years of farming Troyer has found best for raising prize-winning ear—mainly hand work.

The product is one which Troyer pioneered in developing—hybrid seed corn.

'Good Field Ready'

The man who would be corn king must show the best-looking 10 ears of seed corn at the international exhibition, New 53, Troyer has entered 13 of the 21 shows and won in four—in 1920, 1927, 1928 and 1939. Only Peter J. Lux of Shelbyville, Ind., also has won four times.

"I've got a good field ready," the corn king went on, "and I've picked out my best seed corn to plant."

The field is 26 acres along the river where Troyer twice has grown the world's best corn. Last year it was in sweet clover. Almost every other spring, the river spreads on a layer of top-soil from upstream.

Troyer had hardly got home from last December's show before he began choosing seed for his 1940 entry. As he and his hands shelled out three and a half bushels—the cream of the crop, to be sure nothing happens to them, he's keeping the bags in his own bedroom till planting time in May.

He Uses A Tractor

Troyer plows and plants with a two-row rubber-tired tractor, but otherwise farms the way his father did. He never uses commercial fertilizer. In wet years, he says, it's not needed; in dry years, the corn does better without it. To renew the soil, he plows under sweet clover. The river does the rest.

Though he had 360 acres in corn last year, he and his helpers weed, harvest and shell the corn by hand.

"My problem is to raise good seed corn," Troyer said. "Mass-production methods can't be applied to that, because they damage the corn. My enemies are weeds and drought. I pull the weeds and—I smiled—"I pray for rain."

Originated in 1909
Troyer's prize sample last year was the first hybrid corn ever to take the grand sweepstakes.

Hybrid corn, originated in 1909, is produced by crossing two inbred strains. Troyer, first Indiana farmer to adopt it, has been growing it 14 years.

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Let's Be Brief



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Who's Going to Seize Greenland?

U. S. Watches Ice Land as Denmark Falls to Nazis

By JACK STINNETT
WASHINGTON—News item: President Roosevelt expresses approval of people of the United States who show an interest in studying up on Greenland.

Reason: (Mostly capital conjecture) Greenland belongs to Denmark. The Germans take over Denmark. Greenland is in the western hemisphere. It might be included in lands in which the United States would resist foreign invasion should the Monroe Doctrine be invoked. Also some situation might develop similar to that in the Virgin Islands in 1916 when the United States told the Danes they would be mighty smart to sell them to us for \$25,000,000. The Danes thought so, too.

Okmulgee Has More Folks

Greenland, an area of 821,275 square miles, would just about fit over the states of Texas, New Mexico, Colorado, Kansas, Nebraska, North and South Dakota. . . . has a total population of 16,630, slightly less than the last official population of Okmulgee, Okla. Of these 408 are Danes, the rest Eskimos and half-breeds.

The whole interior of Greenland is covered with ice, in some places a mile to a mile-and-a-half thick. Its western shore (the habitable area) is divided into two inspectorates, Godthaab is capital of the southern; Thorsvig of the northern.

Julianshaab is its most southern town. From there it's only a seven-day nine-hour boat ride to the coast of Canada, northeastern United States, and Great Britain.

One of my sources says it has about 60 settlements; another says it has about 175. Take your pick.

The Danes and a few of the Eskimo high-muckety-mucks live in wooden houses. The rest in huts.

Flowers and Icebergs

The whole of the island (if you can call a hunk of land like that an island) has two monthly newspapers. They are printed in Greenlandish, which is outlandish Eskimo.

The summers (but don't park your tanks) last from April to September. Mostly, the whole summer is daylight. There are flowers, then. . . . lots of the m. . . about 400 kinds.

With some of its better glaciers running from 25 to 50 miles across, Greenland is the home of the icebergs that float down the Labrador current to worry skippers in the north Atlantic.

It's also the home of the auk. Ditto the eider (or eiderdown) ducks, seals, reindeer and snow-going jack-rabbits. It also has a good share of the world's polar bears that are not in zoos.

Hunt, Fish Pay Taxes

Its principal industries are whaling, sealing, hunting, fishing, and winning cryolite in the mines at Ivigtut. Cryolite is an almost translucent mineral among the by-products of which is aluminum.

The prices of everything in Greenland are fixed. One-sixth of the one-sixth of the one-sixth of all outgoing products is taken for government. There's no other tax.

Umanak is the most northern settlement and one of the most northern

or than ordinary open-pollinated corn, the hybrid variety had not been considered good to show because the ears were small.

Troyer finally produced, with a double-crossed hybrid labeled U. S. 13, corn that was up to standard and had the extra advantage of strict uniformity.

"Now that I've broken the ice," he predicted that nine out of the next 10 championships will be won with hybrid corn.

Because of this, he's going to exhibit hybrid again himself.

OUT OUR WAY



WHY MOTHERS GET GRAY

By J. R. Williams

In the world. Up there, in summer, the gardens grow radishes, broccoli, lettuce and sometimes turnips. . . . no parsley.

Unlike spits I could name, Greenland admits that its weather is always uncertain. Dense fogs blot out the sunshine while your back is turned. The rainstorms are hellbenders. And the blizzards. . . well, just Arctic.

The people are kindly, jovial, honest and intelligent. Crime is so close to unknown that there's not a policeman in the land. The only drunks are sailors who come on the boats that visit Greenland from May to November. The main social function is the kaffee-koffee party. To the Greenlanders, it's cocktails at the Ritz.

Greenland costs Denmark about \$150,000 a year.

But if somebody doesn't send boats up there this summer, Greenland's population won't hold a blubber candle to Okmulgee's of 1941.

With food prices high, it becomes increasingly evident that a fish on the hook is worth two in the brook. But the ones that get away still make better story material.

All asphalt-covered streets in Lincoln, Neb., are being marked with permanent traffic-lane lines made of white stone chips.

SERIAL STORY

K. O. CAVALIER BY JERRY BRONDFIELD

YESTERDAY, Eddie goes into his fight with Corky Briggs. Knowing he is in love with Val, he will surely lose. Eddie's fight begins to tell on Eddie. Then Briggs opens up the wound made by the black-bellied Val. Eddie was shingled. Val knows she is responsible.

CHAPTER XXIV

VAL'S heart raced. All Corky Briggs had to do now was work on that cut above Eddie Cavalier's eye. She knew how eye cuts were. When they bled they made a man look like a stuck pig, blinded him and made him helpless.

And it was all her fault. All her fault if Eddie Cavalier lost this fight on a technical knockout. Sure, he'd climb back up in a year, maybe, but he'd never forgive himself. Worse, he might never forgive her.

Corky Briggs was a smart one. He shifted his tactics and went to work on Eddie's head. He pounded two hard rights off Eddie's jaw, got in close again and hooked a left to Cavalier's mouth.

The crowd was roaring. It had seen blood and wanted more. Duffy was on his feet, screaming, "Keep away! Keep away! Make him come to you!"

Eddie heard and tried to follow instructions, but Briggs maneuvered him into a neutral corner and raked the cut eye with an other right. Eddie wiped the blood away with his glove and poked out at the blurred vision before him. And then the bell, ending the fifth round.

Again Duffy and Pop worked over him frantically, trying to do an hour's work in 50 seconds. Val bit her lip until she tasted blood herself.

KEEP your face covered. . . . Keep covered. . . . Stick your left in his face. The instructions were jumbled in Eddie's brain as he went out for the sixth round. If only that cut would stop bleeding. He wasn't really hurt yet, but two more rounds and Briggs would begin to tell.

He went up high on the balls of his feet, loose, stabbing with his left. Stabbing, stabbing, jabbing away at Briggs' face to keep him from getting set.

"Cripes, what a beautiful boxer that boy is," a writer next to Val muttered.

"Couple more rounds and it won't do him any good," Ken Bradley replied, and Val realized it was the truth.

Briggs waded in. His left thudded against Eddie's middle. He stepped in smartly and hooked a right to the head. Eddie staggered.

New Gas Contract

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field, the Arkansas Louisiana Gas Company signed a three-year contract with the City of Hope, Arkansas, by the terms of which the City of Hope, Arkansas, purchased gas for the Hope Water & Light Plant on a sliding scale, which has averaged the cost to the Hope Water & Light Plant over the period of time from September 22, 1937, to February 26, 1940, to be approximately 15c per thousand cubic feet for the said gas.

"This contract between the City of Hope and the Arkansas Louisiana Gas Company continues until September 22, 1940. Sometime ago the Louisiana Nevada Transit Company signed an agreement with the City of Hope, Arkansas, to sell the Water & Light Plant gas at 10c a thousand cubic feet beginning September 23, 1940.

"It looked like the city would have to continue to pay the Arkansas Louisiana Gas Company 15c a thousand cubic feet for the gas until September.

But it was discovered by the city attorney of Hope that the Arkansas Louisiana Gas Company had promised an industrial consumer of gas at Mal-

a thousand cubic feet, the Arkansas Louisiana Gas Company would furnish gas to the industrial consumer at Malvern at 10c a thousand cubic feet.

"And this information, falling into the hands of the city attorney of Hope, Arkansas, enabled the city attorney to say to the Arkansas Louisiana Gas Company that if they could sell gas at Malvern at 10c a thousand cubic feet, they could sell gas to the Hope Water & Light Plant at 10c a thousand cubic feet.

"So the Hope Water & Light Plant, on the advice of the city attorney of Hope, notified the Arkansas Louisiana Gas Company that it would not pay but 10c a thousand cubic feet from the day the Hope Brick Works started getting gas from the Louisiana Nevada Transit Company.

"After considerable negotiations, the Arkansas Louisiana Gas Company agreed that, notwithstanding the fact that it had a contract with the City of Hope requiring the city to take the gas at approximately 15c a thousand cubic feet up until September 22, 1940, still, in the light of the conversations and negotiations the company saw fit to sign an agreement with the City of Hope, Arkansas, to let the City of Hope, Arkansas, have gas for the Hope Water & Light Plant at 10c a thousand cubic feet beginning February 26, 1940, (the ap-

proximate date that the Hope Brick Works began getting gas from the Louisiana Nevada Transit Company at 10c a thousand cubic feet.)

Malvern Rate Lowered

"But it was discovered by the city attorney of Hope that the Arkansas Louisiana Gas Company had promised an industrial consumer of gas at Mal-

Fortifications in

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Italy Moves a Profit

The oil supply pipeline extends for hundreds of miles from the giant refineries at Kuchova, near Bera, to the shores of Valona, just across the Italian boot. This oil could be made easily available both for the highly motorized army in Albania and other points of military importance to Italy.

Since Albania is potentially rich agriculturally, Italy has lost no time developing the land. Italian laborers have reclaimed marshes, broken new roads, intensified cultivation of the fertile lands stretching from Tirane to southernmost Albania.

It is estimated that this agricultural program will net Italy a surplus of products, including 150,000 tons of maize, 100,000 tons of wheat, and large quantities of barley, oats, rye, and tares. To this wealth must be added large amounts of dried fruit, dairy products, fish, meats, and skins, wool, as well as silk and other important products.

Finally there is the Italian public works program in Albania, that includes a state highway from Durazzo to a point beyond Korce. This lies in the direction of Greece's Saloniki and follows closely the route of the great Via Egnatia road that made the Romans of Augustus and Caesar the rulers of the Balkans and the Near East.

There are countless military roads and motor roads leading to the Yug-

proximate date that the Hope Brick Works began getting gas from the Louisiana Nevada Transit Company at 10c a thousand cubic feet.)

Contract Terms

"If, for any reason, the Louisiana Nevada Transit Company should not have its lines completed to the Hope Water & Light Plant by September 22, 1940, then the Hope Water & Light Plant can continue to get gas from the Arkansas Louisiana Gas Company at 10c a thousand cubic feet until either side gives the other, thirty days' notice.

From the period of time from February 26, 1940, to March 26, 1940, the City of Hope saved on its gas bill in excess of \$500.00. This has already been saved. The savings will be about five or six hundred dollars per month to the City from now on out.

"The only expense that the City of Hope has been to in this entire matter is an investigation fee of \$500.00 paid L. Carter Johnson, and expenses of trips to Little Rock for E. F. McFadden, city attorney, which expenses, according to bills rendered, have been less than \$40.00 to date.

"The City Attorney of Hope, Arkansas, is paid \$75,000 a month for his services and gets only expenses in addition, and not any additional compensation from the City of Hope, Arkansas, for services in this gas matter.

"Over the period of time from February 26, 1940, to September 22, 1940, the City of Hope, Arkansas, will save on its gas bill at the Water & Light Plant approximately \$4000.

Fund Sought for Negroes' Church

\$127 Raised for Rising Star Baptist Building

The Rising Star Baptist church, in the North end of Hope, is planning on rebuilding, and held a building fund rally, Sunday afternoon, April 21.

Services were held in the morning by the Rev. H. Stewart, preacher, and in the afternoon Rev. G. Jones preached in the rally. Six clubs were working and each made a report.

The total amount raised in this

clav and Greek borders. These have been built in great haste since Marshal Dadooglio urged them a year ago. So Albania has become another Ethiopia, another Tripoli. Any Albanian resistance is being kept strictly under control. Italy, fearing a plebiscite after the war, is sending 500,000 Italians to settle in Albania, may send an additional 50,000.

It is these things which worry the Balkans—and rightly.

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Why Didn't Nazis Mine Kattegat?

U. S. Naval Experts Dumbfounded Over Nazi Inactivity

By JACK STINNETT
WASHINGTON — When the memoirs of this war are written, our navy experts will scour them for an answer to the question: Why, oh why, didn't the Germans mine the Skagerrak and the Kattegat?
When news came that ships of the British navy were plowing through the gray mists of the Skagerrak, word came that a single British boat had been blasted to the bottom by a mine. The navy boys couldn't believe their ears and eyes.
With the report that the British not only had crossed the threshold (Scandinavians call Skagerrak the "sleeve"), but had swung around The Skaw and were headed down that foyer of the Baltic the Kattegat (the "cat's throat"), the experts were dumbfounded. The Nazis not only had left the door wide open but hadn't even bothered to sprinkle tacks on the floor.
Looked Like a Set-up
What on earth had the Germans been up to? They must have known for weeks, maybe months, that they were going to try for the Scandinavian coup. With Denmark as a springboard, they could have poured troops endlessly across that narrow elbow into Norway and Sweden. It's hardly more than a ferry boat ride, and between Ribbons of mines through which the British navy could not cut, it would have been as safe a ride as from
New York's Battery to Bedloe island.
The astonishment of the folks in the Navy building at this one-more cockeyed fact in the most cockeyed war in history, sent me to the record. There's no real answer there, but there is an interesting phase of this mining business which a study of World war reports and maps brought out.
That is, that the business of laying mine-fields is about 10 per cent mines, 90 per cent bluff.
Don't take this as an underestimation of the value of the mine men. But the undersea garden is much more sparsely planted with the tulips of death than the warring nations would have each other believe.
This bluff is part of the game. The navy department has a collection of amazing maps. Solid pink squares, oblongs and triangles show "announced" mine areas. Here, said the Allies or the Germans, are mined seas. If you don't want your ship blown to smithereens, keep out. But on these self-same maps is a smattering of pepper and salt and these spots show the area ACTUALLY mined. That's what I mean by 90 per cent bluff.
Made Skippers Wary
For example, the whole of the Baltic was supposed to be mined in the World war. Actually there was a scattering of mines throughout this inland sea which could only have (according to the experts) "nuisance value." Some occasional destruction was enough to make captains wary of the whole area.
The announced mine areas in the World war were of staggering proportions. From the western coast of France, below the English channel to the northern entrance to the North Sea, there was hardly an important channel that wasn't mined. But many of these sections had only a scattering of "death tulips."
One section mined thoroughly was the 230 miles from Scotland to Norway, where the United States and Great Britain in 1917 and '18 laid 70,000 mines to make a Maginot-line of the entrance to the North Sea. This project was possible because the United States developed a new mine that could be laid at great depths and exploded at the slightest touch. For three years, the Germans had been cutting cables on Allied mines, emptying their deadly innards, sliding them in half for soup kettles and punch bowls. The new mines ended that.
Accent on Bluff
That greatest of all mining efforts taught warring powers a new technique but naval authorities today are agreed that it has not been duplicated in the present war. And the consensus is that there is more bluff now than there was in the World war. There are some experts here who say that the Germans had good reason NOT to mine the Skagerrak and Kattegat. The Skagerrak is deep, well

ly owner, claiming that blasting by the highway department caused his spring to dry up, has brought suit for damages.
"Maybe if we found the spring it would help," Shirley said.
The fishing season is coming upon us, and presidential aspirants will have the chance to truly demonstrate their qualifications as a candidate.
China's annual egg production is estimated at 12,000,000,000.
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Everything was rushing but business in Marietta, Ohio when the Ohio river swept nine feet over its banks and flooded streets as pictured above. At least 1,500 families fled from their homes and business activity was suspended.

This Is Nothing to Sneeze At



This is a sneeze. It was sneezed for science at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology and "frozen" in full flight by the high-speed camera of Prof. Marshall W. Jenkinson. The nebulous cloud is composed of thousands of minute droplets, most of which quickly evaporate leaving germ-laden particles floating in the air. Moral: Use your handkerchief.

Father Stake's Girls Life On Faith Healer



A father's faith in the power of prayer to heal—so strong that he would stake the life of his daughter on it—was shunted by the law to give the child medical treatment for second and third degree burns. The girl, Frances Mitchke, is recovering in a Houston, Texas hospital, after a court order remanded her to the custody of a probation officer over her parents' protests. The 9-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. G. A. Mitchke is shown above, left, with her nurse, Miss Gloria Cates.

over 1,200 feet in some channels) hence forms a valuable basis for our claims to many islands there—than any other record extant. And it is there because Dr. Charles Haskins Townsend, former director of the famous Aquarium on the Battery in New York City, got interested in Galapagos tortoises.
Doctor Townsend, now living in retirement on Long Island, found that these shell-backed plodders of the centuries (many live 300 to 400 years) were becoming extinct. He wanted to research out ways of preserving the species.
Tracks Whalers
His study of the Galapagos tortoises led him to the whaling industry—for the whalers used these big shell-backs much as we use canned meat today. They took them aboard, killed them when the larder ran low, feasted for days.
The point is that Doctor Townsend became more interested in the whaling industry than in the Galapagos turtles. He discovered that the logs of those ships listed every point at which

a whale had been taken. And there began his labor of love.
Months on end, he spent sticking pins into maps of the world, checking every point that an American whaler had listed its load, until he had listed 1,665 voyages, pricked off the death struggle of 53,877 whales, and turned out one of the most amazing maps on record—the Seven Seas' pattern of the American whaling industry from 1761 to 1920.
Uncle Sam Searches
That's Chapter No. 1 A few years ago, the state department was checking up on the United States' claims to a few tiny atolls in the Pacific.
There was a report that the New York public library has records which might be important. An employee was dispatched to New York to investigate. After hours of research, he found that what he needed was not available. He was about to leave when a library assistant recalled that somebody at the Aquarium was writing a book about the whaling industry that had to do with the Pacific.
The state department official checked up on that and discovered Doctor Townsend's hobby. He found that not anywhere in the history books is there such a complete record of discovery, exploitation and habitation of the unknown or unimportant islands of the world as in Doctor Townsend's minutely pin-jabbed maps on the far voyages of the whalers.
Discovery, exploitation and habitation are the three factors which contribute most to a nation's claims to lands which fly no flags.
Fill Claiming Land
Do you see why the Doctor's hobby has become one of the important treasures in the state department files?
The idea that the United States is ratic as far as land acquisitions are concerned can be dismissed right now. As recently as 1938, Presidential proclamation announced to the world that we were taking over hitherto unclaimed islands in the far Pacific. By the same method, some of these days, we may tell the world that we are planting the American flag permanently on a sizable hunk of the Antarctic.
If there should be any objection, it will fall to the state department.

Arkansas Bakers Meet Wednesday

HOT SPRINGS—(P)—A patriotic note will be featured in bakery exhibits at the annual Arkansas Bakers Association convention which opens here Wednesday.
It will be a large cake of red, white and blue with a small Goddess of Liberty and American flags surmounting it. It was originated for the occasion by a Hot Springs bakery.
Said John Kittelberger, Hot Springs chairman of arrangements:
"That will be just to remind every one that this is the best country in the world and we should appreciate our government."
Speakers to be heard during the two-day session include Charles T. Evans, Little Rock; R. C. Haven, New York, and John Wells, Little Rock.

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Republicans to Meet at Courthouse Here

A county convention of the republican party will be held at the new Hempstead county courthouse here at 8 p. m. Thursday for the purpose of selecting delegates and alternate delegates to the state convention at Little Rock, May 11.
The election of a county central committee and the transaction Brummett, chairman, announced.

THE STANDINGS

Southern Association			
Teams	W.	L.	Pct.
Nashville	6	0	1.000
Little Rock	6	3	.667
Knoxville	3	3	.500
Memphis	4	4	.500
Birmingham	4	4	.500
New Orleans	3	5	.333
Atlanta	2	5	.286
Chattanooga	2	5	.286

Tuesday's Results
Birmingham 12, Little Rock 10.
Memphis 5, New Orleans 4.
Atlanta-Knoxville, rain.
Chattanooga-Nashville, wet grounds.

Games Wednesday
Birmingham at Little Rock.
New Orleans at Memphis.
Chattanooga at Nashville.
Atlanta at Knoxville.

National League

Team	W.	L.	Pct.
Cincinnati	3	0	1.000
Brooklyn	3	0	1.000
Pittsburgh	3	0	1.000
Philadelphia	1	1	.500
New York	1	2	.333
Chicago	2	5	.286
St. Louis	0	2	.000
Boston	0	2	.000

Tuesday's Results
Brooklyn 8, Boston 2.
New York 1, Philadelphia 0.
Pittsburgh 3, Chicago 2.
St. Louis-Cincinnati, flood.

Games Wednesday
Boston at Brooklyn.
New York at Philadelphia.
Chicago at Pittsburgh.
Only games scheduled.

American League

Team	W.	L.	Pct.
Boston	4	1	.800
Cleveland	3	1	.750
Detroit	3	2	.600
Philadelphia	3	2	.600
New York	2	2	.500
St. Louis	2	3	.400
Chicago	1	3	.250
Washington	0	3	.000

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Philadelphia 3, New York 0.
Boston 7, Washington 2.
Detroit-Chicago, rain.
Cleveland-St. Louis, rain.

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Cleveland at St. Louis.

Charles A. Haynes on Eastern Buying Trip

Charles A. Haynes, owner and manager of the newly-established Charles A. Haynes company store here, has left for the East where he will confer with merchandise manager of large eastern stores.
Mr. Haynes will purchase a complete new line of summer stock of newest fashions and styles. He will center his buying activity in New York city after a brief stop-over at Salem, Mass.
It is his plan to bring tomorrow's styles to the shoppers of Hope and vicinity for today's buying. He will return to Hope within the next 10 days.

River, Come Back to My Road

RICHMOND, Va.—(P)—The Virginia Highway Department would like to find a "lost" spring.
Commissioner Henry G. Shirley said the spring disappeared after the department had made improvements on a secondary road nearby. The proper-

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By JACK STINNETT
WASHINGTON — I thought it could be told, but it can't—so on his story you'll have to bear with me while I omit a few names and admit nothing—and tell what I hope is a fascinating tale of an armchair Marco Polo who has left important sin-pricks on the face of the earth because he had a hobby.
In the files of the state department is a collection of maps which tells more of the activities of American mariners in the equatorial Pacific—and

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